

**In The Claims:**

Please replace the previously presented claims with the following replacement claim set:

1. (Previously Presented) An adhesive sheet comprising a first flexible substrate, a first adhesive layer provided on the back surface of the first flexible substrate, and a first protective layer provided on the front surface of the first flexible substrate, characterized in that:

the first protective layer is a thermoplastic resin layer containing (a) a fluorine copolymer, wherein the fluorine copolymer contains a vinylidene fluoride unit, (b) a non-fluorine polymer, and (c) a hydrophilic agent, wherein the hydrophilic agent is a compound represented by the following general formula:



wherein Z represents an organic group, X represents -C=O (carbonyl group) or -SO<sub>2</sub> (sulfonyl group), and Rf represents an organic group which may contain an oxygen atom, in which all or a portion of hydrogen atoms are substituted with fluorine atom(s).

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended) The adhesive sheet according to claim 1, further comprising a A second adhesive sheet for applying applied to the first protective layer, wherein of the first adhesive sheet of claim 1, characterized in that:

the second adhesive sheet comprises a second flexible substrate and a second adhesive layer provided on the back surface of the second flexible substrate for applying to the first protective layer, and wherein the second adhesive layer contains a coupling agent.

4. (Currently Amended) The ~~second~~ adhesive sheet according to claim 3, further comprising a second protective layer provided on the front surface of the second flexible substrate, wherein the second protective layer contains (a) a fluorine copolymer, wherein the fluorine copolymer contains a vinylidene fluoride unit, (b) a non-fluorine polymer, and (c) a

hydrophilic agent, wherein the hydrophilic agent is a compound represented by the following general formula:



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5. (Previously Presented) The adhesive sheet according to claim 1 or claim 4, wherein the fluorine co-polymer is vinylidene fluoride/polychlorotrifluoroethylene.

6. (Previously Presented) The adhesive sheet according to claim 1 or claim 4, wherein the hydrophilic agent is fluorine-containing polysiloxane.

7. (Currently Amended) The adhesive sheet according to claim 1 or claim 4, wherein a water contact angle, determined in a contact angle meter, of the surface of the first protective layer is not more than 50 degrees.

8. (Cancelled)